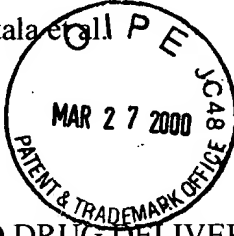


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Enclosed is a check which covers the appropriate fee of \$925.00 based on small entity status. Please charge any underpayments or credit any overpayments to our Deposit Account No. 12-0080. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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